Bus Lines.

258 ✻ MR. P. S. MUHAMED : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether several buses are lying idle in the State ; and

(*b*) the reasons for refusing permission for running buses through some of the over-crowded routes ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY : (*a*) No.

(*b*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

Vaidyasalas.

259. ✻ MR. K. G. GOVINDAN (*Pattanamtitta*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number, if any, of vaidyasalas conducted by women ;

(*b*) the number of such vaidyasalas that are recognised by Government and the number of them that get grants from Government ;

(*c*) whether Government have or the Ayurveda Department has received representations from the people of Konni for giving some grant to a vaidyasala at Konni ;

(*d*) the action taken with respect to such representations ; and

(*e*) whether there was any vaidyasala at Konni either recognised by Government or receiving a grant from Government at any time ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) 11.

(*b*) Grant-in-aid 7, Recognised 4.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) An enquiry was conducted by the Ayurveda Department and on the report of the Honorary Director the petitioners were informed that the Vaidyan concerned had to wait for a grant-in-aid in the ordinary course as she is one of the junior most among the recognised Vaidyans deserving grant-in-aid.

(*e*) Yes. There was a grant-in-aid Vaidyasala for general treatment but the same was shifted to Pathanapuram in 1099 M. E.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN : May I know from the member whether—

PRESIDENT : The member who has put the original question has the prior right of putting supplementary questions.

MR. K. G. GOVINDAN : With reference to answer to part (d) may I know when the petitioners were informed of the matter ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS : The question was considered and it was found that grant could not be given, because the applicant was one of the junior most among the recognised vaidyans.

MR K. G. GOVINDAN : In the answer it is given that an enquiry was conducted and on the report of the Honorary Director the petitioners were informed of the matter. I want to know when that information was given to the petitioners ?

MR C. KUMARA DAS : I have not got the papers now. I claim notice.

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP (*Ambalapuzha cum Shertallai*) : May I know whether the payment of grant depends on the seniority of re-recognised Vaidyans or on the necessity of a vaidyasala at a particular locality ?

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